Adopted Rejected

COMMITTEE REPORT

YES: 10 NO: 0

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on <u>Education</u>, to which was referred <u>House Bill 1184</u>, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill **be amended** as follows:

1	Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:
2	SECTION 1. IC 20-20-22.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
3	AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
4	JULY 1, 2008]:
5	Chapter 22.2. Teacher Recruitment Program
6	Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "applicant" means an individual
7	who applies for a cash payment under this chapter.
8	Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "commission" refers to the state
9	student assistance commission established by IC 21-11-2-1.
10	Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "fund" refers to the teacher
11	recruitment fund established by section 10 of this chapter.
12	Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "program" refers to the teacher
13	recruitment program established under section 5 of this chapter.
14	Sec. 5. The teacher recruitment program is established.
15	Sec. 6. (a) The commission shall administer the program
16	established under this chapter.

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1	(b) The purpose of the program is:
2	(1) to encourage and promote qualified African American
3	male teachers to pursue a career in teaching in accredited
4	elementary and secondary schools with predominately
5	African American student populations in Indiana;
6	(2) to enhance the number of individuals who may serve as
7	role models for African American students in Indiana; and
8	(3) to rectify the shortage of African American male teachers
9	teaching in accredited elementary and secondary schools in
10	Indiana.
11	Sec. 7. (a) To qualify for the program, an applicant must furnish
12	evidence to the commission of the following:
13	(1) The applicant is an Indiana resident.
14	(2) The applicant is an African American male.
15	(3) The applicant is currently teaching at an accredited
16	elementary or secondary school with a predominately African
17	American student population located in Indiana.
18	(4) The applicant holds a current Indiana teacher's license
19	that has not been suspended or revoked.
20	(5) The applicant has completed at least one (1) year of
21	teaching service with satisfactory performance ratings in an
22	accredited elementary or secondary school with a
23	predominately African American student population located
24	in Indiana.
25	(6) The applicant has provided the teaching service described
26	in subdivision (5) in instructional activities during full
27	instructional days during the school year and not as a
28	substitute teacher.
29	(7) The applicant complies with all other eligibility criteria
30	established by the commission.
31	(b) An applicant for the program must apply to the commission
32	on a form prescribed and provided by the commission.
33	(c) An applicant shall verify all information submitted with the
34	application for payments.
35	(d) The commission shall review an applicant's application and
36	determine whether the applicant qualifies for the payment under
37	this chapter.
38	(e) The commission shall publish and make available to all:

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1	(1) applicants; and
2	(2) members of the public upon request;
3	a copy of its rules establishing the eligibility criteria for the
4	payments.
5	Sec. 8. The department shall make available the information
6	published by the commission under section 7(e) of this chapter to
7	all students enrolled in an accredited secondary school located in
8	Indiana.
9	Sec. 9. Each college and university located in Indiana shall make
10	available the information published by the commission under
11	section 7(e) to all its students.
12	Sec. 10. (a) The teacher recruitment fund is established to carry
13	out the purposes of this chapter.
14	(b) The commission shall administer the fund.
15	(c) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from
16	money in the fund.
17	(d) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund no
18	currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same
19	manner as other public funds may be invested. Interest tha
20	accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the fund.
21	(e) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does no
22	revert to the state general fund but remains available to be used for
23	purposes of this chapter during the next fiscal year.
24	Sec. 11. (a) The money in the fund shall be used to provide
25	annual cash payments to teachers who qualify under section 7(a
26	of this chapter.
27	(b) The commission may authorize payments in accordance with
28	rules adopted under this chapter.
29	(c) The maximum amount that may be paid in a calendar year
30	to an individual teacher is four thousand dollars (\$4,000).
31	(d) The total amount that may be paid in all calendar years tha
32	qualify for payments under this chapter to any one (1) individua
33	teacher is twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000).
34	(e) If there is not enough money in the fund to pay all teachers
35	who qualify for payments, the commission shall pay a pro rata
36	amount of the requested payment for each applicant under rule
37	adopted by the commission under this chapter.

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Sec. 12. The commission shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 that

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1	are consistent with this chapter and reasonably required for the			
2	conduct of the commission's responsibilities and duties under this			
3	chapter.			
4	Sec. 13. The commission may deny the payments available			
5	under this chapter to an applicant who:			
6	(1) is convicted of:			
7	(A) a felony; or			
8	(B) a crime involving moral turpitude; or			
9	(2) provides false or forged information to the commission in			
10	connection with an application to obtain payments.			
11	Sec. 13. There is annually appropriated to the commission from			
12	the state general fund one million dollars (\$1,000,000) to provide			
13	funds to carry out the purposes of this chapter.			
	(Reference is to HB 1184 as introduced.)			
and when so amended that said bill do pass.				

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